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Q. WHAT IS YOUR REACTION TO BELGIAN PRIME MINISTER TINDEMANS' REPORT ON EUROPEAN UNION?

A. THE UNITED STATES HAS CONSISTENTLY SUPPORTED THE CONTINUING PROCESS OF EUROPEAN UNIFICATION. PRIME MINISTER TINDEMANS' REPORT CONTAINS A NUMBER OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR STEPS THE EC MIGHT TAKE TOWARD ITS GOAL OF EUROPEAN UNION. WE RECOGNIZE THAT IT IS FOR THE EUROPEANS THEMSELVES TO DETERMINE THE PACE AND NATURE OF FURTHER PROGRESS TOWARD UNITY. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE TINDEMANS RECOMMENDATIONS WILL BE DEBATED WITHIN THE COMMUNITY, AFTER WHICH SUCH SPECIFIC ACTIONS THAT ARE AGREED UPON WILL BE UNDERTAKEN.

Q. TINDEMANS CALLS FOR TALKS WITH THE US TO REACH A COMMON UNDERSTANDING OF THE CHARACTER AND SCOPE OF RELATIONS BETWEEN THE US AND THE COMMUNITY. WHAT IS YOUR POSITION ON THIS?

A. THE UNITED STATES PLACES GREAT IMPORTANCE ON ITS RELATIONS WITH THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY, CONSULTS REGULARLY WITH ITS REPRESENTATIVES BOTH HERE AND IN BRUSSELS ON A BROAD RANGE OF MATTERS, AND IS ALWAYS PREPARED TO DISCUSS WITH THE COMMUNITY QUESTIONS OF MUTUAL INTEREST. IT IS, OF COURSE, FOR THE COMMUNITY TO DECIDE HOW IT WISHES TO PROCEED ON THIS AS WELL AS PRIME MINISTER TINDEMANS' OTHER SPECIFIC PROPOSALS. KISSINGER

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